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## SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 05-024

TO: Superintendents, Business Managers, Administrators, and Head Teachers

FROM: Philip Williams, Deputy Associate Superintendent of School Finance

**DATE:** December 30, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Instructional Improvement Fund Allocation

The calculations for the fiscal year 2004-05 Instructional Improvement Fund (Indian Gaming revenues) payments are complete. This payment includes 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter revenues. Two additional quarterly payments are expected this fiscal year, though the amounts cannot be determined at this time.

Actual receipt of payment by districts and charters is scheduled for <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 30, 2004</u>. Any changes due to student count corrections or updates will be made retroactive to payment 1; as these updates become available for payment calculation.

The *Instructional Improvement Fund* report (IIF 202-1) details the counts used to determine allocation of the Instructional Improvement Fund and is available at <a href="http://www.ade.az.gov/districts">http://www.ade.az.gov/districts</a>. All monies received for the Instructional Improvement Fund have been distributed based on each district's or charter's *unweighted* attending student count.

Funds received for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter were invested. Any revenues on the investment will be distributed when available. All monies received will be distributed.

These funds may be expended according to A.R.S.§15-979 (D) & (E)

## A.R.S.§15-979

- D. Each school district and charter school may utilize up to fifty percent of the amount of monies determined pursuant to subsection C for teacher compensation increases and class size reduction as provided in section 15-977.
- E. Monies that are not utilized as provided in subsection D shall be utilized for the following maintenance and operation purposes:
  - 1. Dropout prevention programs.
  - 2. Instructional improvement programs including programs to develop minimum reading skills for students by the end of third grade.

If you have questions concerning your Instruction Improvement Fund payment, please email the School Finance inbox at SchoolFinance@ade.az.gov or call 602-542-5695.